

Giants Finally Pick Gainesville, Fla., as Training Camp for This Year

McGraw Men and Yankees Liable to Clash in South

Conditioning Centres Will Be Only Three Hours' Ride Apart; Dodgers, Too, May Get Into Series With Other Greater New York Nines

By W. J. Macbeth

The New York Giants will train at Gainesville, Fla., for the coming championship race, it was announced by John J. McGraw, vice-president and manager, yesterday afternoon. This flourishing little city of some 10,000-odd is about half way between Jacksonville and Tampa and should furnish an excellent base for any contemplated exhibition campaign against rival league clubs the Little Napoleon may have in mind. Florida, it would appear, is going to be pretty well cluttered up with big league teams within the next ten weeks.

Gainesville is the home of the University of Florida, which boasts one of the finest outdoor athletic equipments of the South. McGraw's club will utilize the playing field of the college as well as the conveniences provided for these boys. There are tennis courts and baseball courts, not to mention a full line of athletic apparels besides the showers and plunge.

For this reason McGraw is somewhat consoled over the departure from Miami, where he found supplementary outdoor athletic amusements so beneficial in training.

Hotel Well Recommended Gainesville, on the word of "Wild Bill" Hanna, the noted tourist, boasts one of the best hotels to be found in the South. It is the White House and here the Giant squad will be quartered. The hotel is situated about a mile from the college grounds—an ideal distance for sprinting to and from morning and afternoon practices. The Giants, at Gainesville, will be but three hours' distance from the training camp of the New York Yankees, at Jacksonville. Whether or not the two local clubs would grapple the Southland could not be determined yesterday. McGraw did not decide on his base till the last minute and as yet there has been no opportunity for the local rivals to talk shop in the matter. The Yankees, however, have not tied up with any major league club for the early training season and if the Giants happen to be looking for battle they doubtless can be accommodated.

Indeed it would appear that the three greater New York representatives of the major leagues are going to be more neighborly than ever before in their spring campaigns. In all probability the Brooklyn Dodgers will be conditioned at Brunswick, Ga., which is only ninety miles north of Jacksonville and within an easy night's jump of where the Yankees of Giants. It would not be surprising, therefore, if the Yankees engaged both the Dodgers and Giants at Jacksonville.

It is practically certain, also, that the Giants will try conclusions with the world champion Red Sox during their stay in the South. The Red Sox have made arrangements for a camp at Tampa, Fla., Tentative spring training was closed by Messrs. Fraxer and Hempstead before the latter disposed of the Brush interests in the Giants to the new owners.

Two sensational series, each winning team triumphing by a margin of one match, added much zest to the third round of play in the annual Metropolitan Association squash tennis team championship tournament played yesterday. The victorious teams were the Yale Club and the Harvard Club, who, incidentally, move forward into a title fight first place in the standing.

Yale won over the combined Princeton-Squash Club's forces on the Ellicott by three matches to two. The winning match was scored by Donald Mackay, erewhile Yale baseball pitcher, over William Van der Poel in a three-match match. It was a severe test of endurance, and each stood up well under the gruelling pace, as attested by Mackay's winning advantage of one point in the third game, which ended the tussle. The scores were 6-15, 15-11, 18-17.

Harvard's victory over the Columbia Club contingent was an upset, and developed the fact that the championship squad is rounding into good form. As in the Yale-Princeton series, a one-match margin was the result. This advantage was contributed by John W. Burton, captain of the Harvard Club, in downing Irving H. Cornell, Columbia, in the final match of the day, and giving the Cambridge graduates the issue by three matches to two.

Mackay's victory over his equally aggressive rival was of a thrilling nature. A naturally slow beginner, Mackay found Vander Poel maintaining a big lead in the first game before he struck his stride. Smashing terrifically, Vander Poel soon climbed the first set.

With Mackay using an effective attack in the second game, the contest developed into a hard smashing contest with each player attempting to score principally on drives to the back corners and front wall "kicks." Mackay secured an early advantage and retained it in the end despite bitter opposition by Vander Poel.

The third game found Vander Poel acquiring an early lead of 9 aces to 1 through the error of the Harvard Club, and a round the court game. Mackay then smashed each shot violently, with the result that he scored consistently, to lead Vander Poel by 15 to 12. Vander Poel, looking guileless, the next ace to set the match whereupon an extra set of five aces was agreed upon. Mackay quickly collected four aces, but Vander Poel was still full of fight and rang up a similar number. Mackay then ended the match on his service with a round the court shot that Vander Poel found too speedy and missed in attempting to return the ball.

Harry H. Fraxer, president of the world's champion Red Sox, returned yesterday from a short visit to Boston, with the intelligence that absolute harmony prevailed in the ranks of his title holders.

The report that his big showpaw ace, Babe Ruth, might desert to the Delaware County League gave Fraxer a big laugh. He would not characterize such a wild card with a denial.

Fraxer saw Jack Barry, former manager of the Red Sox, who was recently released from the navy, while he was in the Hub. Barry is in excellent physical condition and is confident that he will be able to play the key position regularly the coming season. There is absolutely no resentment in the heart of Barry toward Ed Barrow, who succeeded him and who led the Back Bay boys to a world's championship last year. Indeed, Barry never had any strong hankering for the job and was only prevailed upon to accept the leadership because of the pressure brought to bear upon him by Fraxer and Bill Carrigan.

Harry Huggins, manager of the Yankees, left last night for his winter home in Cincinnati. The midwest manager has been somewhat under the weather during the last two days of his visit to New York. Huggins will remain in Cincinnati until the end of February unless he can organize a party alling star. The next game will be to-morrow night, when Union visits the Heights.

N. Y. U. Loses Star On Eve of Game New York University's basketball team received a setback yesterday afternoon when it temporarily lost the services of Ed Delaney, the star centre of the violet quintet. Delaney was taken to his bed yesterday with a bad case of the grippe and was unable to play again for at least ten days.

This unfortunate loss came at an inopportune time for the local team as the New Yorks were just reaching the point of perfection in their passing and combination play. Captain Delaney has several in mind to fill in for the missing star. The next game will be to-morrow night, when Union visits the Heights.

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Sport's Biggest Problems



Buffalo Gunner Leads Field at Pinhurst

PINEHURST, N. C., Jan. 23.—Frank S. Wright, of Buffalo, still continues to lead the field in the 450 target contest at 16 yards in the mid-winter shooting tournament here to-day. Wright failed to prevent Victor Finny from going out and breaking 71 clay birds out of a possible 75. Wright had a lead of three targets over his nearest opponents.

Dr. A. H. Aber, of Pravesburg, Pa., was the runner-up, followed by W. H. Patterson, of Buffalo, and E. J. Buck, of Davenport, Iowa, are tied for second place with 366 out of a possible 375.

Columbia Football Men Get Letters And Monograms

The Columbia University athletic council announced yesterday the awarding of varsity letters to members of the 1918 Students' Army Training Corps football team. In all eighteen letters were awarded and six monograms were given to players who were substitutes.

The varsity letter was awarded to John T. Kennedy, captain-elect of the team, who was unable to play because he was absent in service. Although he could not make a place on the team, Kennedy, who became an ensign in the navy, spent all his spare time while in port helping Fred Johnson, back, and the eleven on South Field, and it was felt that he was especially deserving of the award.

The awards follow: Varsity "C" John T. Kennedy, (captain-elect, absent in service), Harry D. Robb (back, captain), Ralph T. Forsythe, W. J. Grace and Roger D. Stevens, ends; M. M. Robison, George W. Taves, J. J. Kraus and Alfred E. Modereit, tackles; John F. Kiennenger and J. S. Parkes, guards; Francis F. Fargo, center; L. W. Zychinski, line and backfield; Charles Shaver, J. M. Houlahan, C. T. Collins and Frank J. Canapey, backs, and W. J. Sager, student manager.

Varsity monogram, "C. F. T."—William Daley, Walter S. Wesley, James R. Logan, Norman McDermott, Charles Rubinstein and Alexander Herman.

At its dinner at the Columbia University Club on Wednesday night the members of the team decided to elect a captain until late in the second term or until the beginning of the fall term in October.

Duffy Again Harvard Coach CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 23.—Hugh Duffy, former manager of the national pro league team, will again coach the Harvard baseball team, it was announced to-day.

Boxing News and Notes

By FRED HAWTHORNE

We receive a tremendous mail every day. Aunt Eleanor Ann, as is natural in the case of an individual so much in the public eye, and if we merely ran these letters every day in our cute column, we would not have any work to do and would be free to devote our time to our three particular hobbies, sleeping, eating and watching OTHER persons work.

Every man who ever amounted to a hill of Mexican beans, had a hobby in his lifetime. We have mentioned ours not in any spirit of boastfulness, but just to show that we, too, are human, after all, and have our desires like ordinary mortals.

It would be so easy for us to let others build this column, and the builders would be tickled to see their imperishable words in type; a pleasant time would be had by all. But that is not our way. You know us, Aunt Eleanor Ann, faithful, painstaking, SLAVE to duty. So, although it hurts us just as much as it hurts our contributors, but not in the same place, we have decided to let you know that we "love the family knee," to tie a tin can to many of those contributed gems of thought, we have to do it.

It is only the most impeccable communications that find a way into this column, and they have to use the "family entrance," all except the super-impeccable that is, that are ushered into our presence by Julius, the jovial and juvenile office boy. So you can see, Aunt Eleanor Ann, that we are largely self-made column men.

Last night one of the "family entrance" variety arrived at our desk in the shape of a letter from Joe Jacobs, the youthful manager of boxers, who acted as boxing promoter at Camp Hancock, Ga., for seven months, while a "doughboy."

According to the names on the top of his letter-head, Joe cornered all the good boxing material at the camp, and, as those boys did not get a chance to fight the Boche, Joe is busy planning matches for them in the ring, so they will be able to fight anyway, if they can.

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"Why, where is Mary's little lamb?" The old town gossip cry, As Mary, in her limousine, The group goes whizzing by.

"Oh, don't you know," the town tank says, In tacking for the bar, "That turban is her old pet's hide; The carcas bought her car."

FAMOUS COME-BACKS That income tax. German propaganda. John P. Dunn.

The Vital Question Ireland seems to have achieved her first step toward the big republic idea without any broken heads. But, having achieved it, a world with a sick headache wonders just what Ireland is going to do with it.

"Famous antiques made to order"—sign seen in a Third Avenue second hand furniture store.

Not forgetting for a minute that Al Gouge is a rising young lawyer of Rat Portage, Canada.

Open Trial for Chase

HAL CHASE, of the Cincinnati baseball club and the greatest first baseman of all time, is to be tried at National League headquarters next Thursday on charges involving his integrity and honesty.

Chase was suspended last summer by Christy Mathewson, manager of the Reds, who is now in France. It was alleged at the time that Chase had not only bet against his own team but had tried to influence rival players to "lose" a game. It was Chase who, after his pay had been stopped, demanded an investigation.

It is said that President Heydler of the National League intends to conduct the investigation in secret. This, in the opinion of the writer, would be a very, very grave mistake. The idea of the charge itself is shocking to the sporting sensibilities. If Chase has been wronged it is no more than right that his exoneration should be given the greatest possible publicity. If guilty he should suffer the most drastic discipline possible.

A public hearing in the limited quarters of the National League is out of the question. But certainly the hearing should be open to the press or certain of its representatives that may be selected to sit in at the investigation. In no other way is it possible to clear the atmosphere of suspicion and doubt. If Chase should be convicted in secret his friends could never but believe that he had been "framed"; if acquitted the skeptical majority of the public would think the powers of baseball had simply "whitewashed" the whole dirty mess so as not to direct suspicion to the game.

By admitting a committee of authentic press representatives the National League can best safeguard the interests of itself, the accused and the very much concerned public. This is no time for side-stepping or camouflage.

"Back-Stairs" Policies Injure Game ALREADY the game's false name has been seriously injured in public opinion by the stiff-necked, autocratic deportment of its legislators and the "back-stairs" policies by which scandal and near-scandal have been continually covered up of late.

There was a time when baseball's government let the public into the very last detail on every single incident of public interest. And in those days baseball flourished as never before or since. Of late years there has been altogether too much camouflage.

In particular has this been so of the many "bones" pulled by major league authorities during the lean war years when every good man seemed to be trying to get by as best he could. The repudiation of the National Commission ruling in the case of Pitcher Scott Perry, the failure of the American League to go to the mat with the Cleveland club for its repudiation of schedule and half a dozen other glaring faults that the solons seem so desirous of hiding in a closet cannot at will be sunk into the slime of a public's short-lived memory. Better far if the unpleasant truths had been faced manfully and dispassionately at the time, irrespective of whose pet ox might have been gored.

For, in the end, chickens are bound to come home to roost. Baseball established its reputation for fairness by taking the public into its full confidence. Evasion can but store up that inevitable day of wrath.

New Orleans Entries First race (three-year-olds and upward): claiming, purse \$500, one mile and a sixteenth—Kendrick 115, Grumpy 109, Senator 107, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 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